ing "he Mexican government is doing ail in its power to afford protection." Were he better acquainted in Mexico he would have said President Diaz and his military right arm do afford ample protection to American chizens and to their property.

I can travel from one end of Mexico to another with none other than Spanish companious and never have an insult offered me tor a reference made to war. This is equally true of any American gentleman conducting himself as such in Mexico.

Any and all of my statements can be

Any and all of my statements can be verified at short notice by 500 preaparous Americans in Mexico. Respectively, John W. Maxey.

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Mexico and now having large interests there we heartily inderse the above statement and the sentiment therein expressed.

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SOME YARNS ABOUT THE ISLANDS

DEWEY TOOK.

Chinamen, Not Spaniards, Were the

Real Masters-Wild, Un-

subdued Tribes.

"When Uncle Sam comes to look into

the conditions of government now existing

in the Philippine islands with a view to

aftering them to suit Yankee notions he is

going to be everlastingly surprised. In the

first place he is going to find that the

Chinese are the real masters instead of the

late lamented Dons, just as they are today

virtually in control of a arly all the is-

lands of Malaysia. In the se ond place he

is going to find that the descriptaction of

the revolting natives is directed as much

against these same Chinese as against the

Spanish, and that the cry against cheap

Chinese labor rings out as willing at Man.i.s.

and elsewhere in the lastices as it i.d in this country prior to the restriction of Chinese immigration.

After this acciaration Captain John W.

Meiritt of San Francisco passed to take oreath and to stroke a monumental meer-

schaum. He is a recired suitmaster w.o has seen forty-five years of gales and calms on the bosom of the Pacific, and was spin-

ning jurns for the entertainment of a g. o ap

"The population of the Philippines," he continued, "is the most beterogeneous to be met within all the Kanaka islands. They

say it numbers \$,000,000 rouls, I was go ing to say, but, bless you, most of them

ing to say, but, bless you, most of them are just the commonest kind of black or brown bodies meandering around at the dictates of the most corporal kind of impulses and instincts. The mountains are alled with wild tribes of diverse origin (e.g. subdued by the Spanish. They are as ferocious as terberus and as black as his master. Among them are negritor—little niggers, that means, translated. They are wiry tough, and bad little glants, who yield only to such civilizations as is introduced by

to such civilizations as is introduced by powder and ball. These flerce tribes awarm

rowder and ball. The action of the group, and all over the 200 islands in the group, and I venture to say that not on-half of them have ever been under the Spanish yoke.

The Tagals, who live on the larger islands, like Luzon and Mindanao, are rather reaseful people, and do a little farming between cock fights. Then comes the Bisayans, who are great fishermen, and live on the water between the Islands. They can the water between the Islands.

on the water between the Islands. They carry on a desultery sort of commerce and zitr up revolts. The Malay ind ans form the majority of the population under Spanish rule, with the Papuans a good second. Native whites and Europeans are about 400,000 strong, while the Chance and the half-castes of India, who have been if it ing into the Philippines for ages, number, collectively, about 123,000. So you see the

collectively, shout 125,000 So, you see, the Caucasian, Mongolian and Ethiopian di-visions of the human family have all con-

visions of the human family have all contributed a share to the islands.

"Now, the natives are lazy to a superlative degree. It's that way in all the Kanaka islands, and the generous way in which good Mother Nature has provided for them is enough to excuse their shift-leasuess. 'Go out and lie down under the first tree at night and enjoy a sleep. In the morning roll over on your back, shy your boot up into the tree, and down comes breakfast.' That's their way of reasoning it out, and most of them practice it. Their

it out, and most of them practice it. Their laziness and general improvidence the Chinese have been quick to seize upon and

turn to advantage no opportunity ever escaped the Chinaman. He is active, capable and unceasing in his efforts when he turns

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MOTION TO REINSTATE BRAZORIA COUNTY CASES OVERRULED.

Proceedings in the Civil District and County Courts-Real Estate Transfers.

In the Eleventh civil district court yes terday, Judge Tod presiding, in the case of J. L. Dumas vs. J. C. McNeil et al. the motion to reinstate was overruled, to which exception was taken and a notice of appeal given.

This case is what is known as the famous Brazoria county case, growing out of an alleged conspiracy on the part of a lot of democrats of Brazoria to prevent repub lican office holders from holding office by failing and refusing to go on their official bonds, thus making it virtually impossible to furnish bonds as the law required.

After several continuances of the case a non-suit was taken a few days ago, which virtually threw the case out of court, hence the motion to reinstate, which was acted upon yesterday.

Eleventh Civit District Court. Virginia M. Front vs. E. H. Vasmer; eave to plaintiff to amend pleadings making Hal Bates a party defendant, cause reinstated.

Ed and Philip Sims vs. Henry Cline et il; continued generally. Marian Higgenbotham vs. Wm. Schneid-

or, judgment for plaintin for \$238.80 and Mary V. O'Donnell vs. -Westfield C. Henetz, motion for new trial overruled, to which defendent excepts and gives notice

of appeal.
Adoug & Lobit vs. A. M. York; motion to reinstate granted. George A. Byers vs. James H. Hocack et al. plaintiff granted leave to amend mo-tion to reinstate and motion for new trial

Eugene Kelly vs. Ella Kelly; motion to reinstate granted.

J. E. Whittlesey vs. Texas and New Or-leans Railway Company, continued gen-

E. Hammett et al vs. L. Hillondahi et al; entinued generally.

Pearlie Clinton vs. J. D. Clinton; mo ion o tellostate sustained.

Maggie Graham et al vs. A. Chimene.

motion to reinstate overruled.

J. L. Dumas vs. J. C. McNeil et al., motion to reinstate overruled, to which plaintiff excepts and gives notice of a particular.

Suits for Civil District Courts. John H. Kirby vs. J. S. Corley et at:

Planetes and Mechanics National Bank s. Martin, Wise and Flizhugh, debt \$2000. Annie Evans vs. Walter Evans, divorce. Mary Day vs. Henry Day; divorce.

Fifty-fifth Civil District Court. Hattle McGuire et al vs. Houston and Texas Central Railway Company; judgnent for plaintiffs for \$2500, four-sixths to mother and two-sixths to child; leave to W. C. Oliver to intervene and he is al-judged \$250 for services rendered to minor, Louis Theil vs. H. Masterson; leave to plaintiff to file first amended original peti-

Lizzie Cleveland va. International and Great Northern Railway Company, jury still out.

County Court. Westheimer Bros. vs. Moulder & Gregg;

ontinued generally, Thomas F. Loftus vs. W. W. Glass et.

Isaac Gimbler vs. Albert Erichson et al; death of defendant Erichson suggested and continued to make parties.

Charles Learmoth vs. L. W. Craig, administrator, continued by plaintiff.

Joseph Anderson vs. P. C. Ulrich I aveto plaintiff to file first amended original

hethion.

In the case of T. G. Rainey vs. C. L. Bering, for personal injury, the verdict about have been for the defendant insteal of for plaintiff, as was made to appear in yesterday's proceedings by a typographical

Bill of Sale.

in the county clerk's office yesterday a sil of sale was filed by Lillie Smith, conveying to Annie Coverly stock, fixtures, machinery, books, accounts, etc., of the City Bottling works, the consideration be-

Real Estate Transfers.

Steve Steinmann and wife to Fennie II. Appleton, 10-acre lot 9, Stein-mann addition, Wm. Hilbun one-

nsann addition. Wm. Hilbus cne-third league

f. P. McGowan to T. P. Chenault, northeast half of lot 3, south half of lot 4, block 148, south side of Euffalo bayou.

Estate of C. M. Allen to John H. Ruby, 42-10 acres in lot—south side of Buffalo bayou, J. Austin grant

E. H. Myers and wife, Ada, to Henry G. P. Spencer, one-third of 57 9-10 arres, Lamar tract, O. Smith sur-

Catate of W. J. Settegast, deceased, to C. G. Oler and wife, Anda, 50x100 feet north of block 1, lot 59, S. M. Williams survey.

H. F. MacGregor to A. R. Miller, lots 7, 8, 9, block 9, MacGregor-Blodget addition, and lot 20, O. Smith auryer.

Marriage Licenses.

Marriage Hoeners were issued to the folowing couples yesterday: Louis Schaffer and Miss Fannte Moeller)

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Stonewall J. Watkins and Miss Alice Or laudo Sadler.

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Spaniards in Mexico.

To the Editor of The Post.

As a matter of justice I feel called upon to correct an impression created by Howard E. Briggs, who in a recent interview in The Post, claimed to be an American resident of Mexico City.

I do not know Mr. Briggs, nor did I ever hear of him professionally or otherwise, but I do know from a two years residence in Mexico that his statement that American residents are in danger and subjected to the treatment which he claims to be commonly offered Americans, but I will warrant that some indiscretion on his part caused it.

In my intimate, social and business intercourse with prominent Spaniards in mexico, i have found them anything but inothing if not polite under all circumstance.

Mr. Briggs may have been a little too cutspoken and hecame invalved in a dispute or heated argument with a Spaniard or heated argument with a Spaniard in Mexico is nothing if not polite under all circumstance and hecame invalved in a dispute or heated argument with a Spaniard in Mexico offered him or any other American a warton insuit.

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no of this world. This a generally prevailing moisture tempers the flerce hear, and there is a constant alternation of land and sea breezes. It makes me mad to hear rotas climate is unhealthful. But it is not so by any means. There is no place in the trop-ies which is more healthful or where the rate of mortality is lower, and our gallant here would not lose a man except by the accidents of war and causes which obtain

Many of the islands are constantly in vibration, owing to the earthquakes, the group is within range of the monsoon, which makes hurricanes common, but these are the disadvantages you must expect in the Kanaka Islands. There is rare hunt ing in the woods and jungles of many of the islands. The jungles swarm with humming birds, parrots and many birds of brilliant plumage, which opens up pres-pects for a great feather trade for the Americans. The humming birds are flered little creatures.

caped the Chinaman. He is active, capable and unceasing in his effects when he turns his hands to labor or m-chanics. In commerce he is the most astute merchant on the face of the globe. In finance he is without a superior. So the Chinese have become the mechanics, clerks, traders, shopkcepers and bankers of the islands, and therefore the real power. Their energy and capacity made them indispensable to the Dons. In return for their faithful offices and the handsome present they hestowed upon the Spanish officials. The Chinese were allowed to have eight regulations and a police of their own Ostensibly they acknowledged the rule of the Spanish sovernor general, his ministry and advisory juntas, and bowed down before it in humble self-abnegation; but in their wite sleeves they snickered and ancered at it. "Hated, despised, but wholly enviet by the natives, the Chinese have never sought to placate their enemies, but have a decithe Spanish government in malugations that balance of opposing interests of which the Dons relied for the support of their own institutions. Thus they have gone on for years fattening upon the great wealth of the Philippines, giving large sums to the Spanish rulers for concessions worth to times what they have paid, and stripping the natives of lands, products and liberalic conditions became unbearable even for the easy going tribes, and the rib thought. a Americans. The humming birds are fierce little creatures.

"I landed one time with a hunting pacty on the island of Mindoro and penetrated a jungle in search of rars birds. One of our men branched off from the party and we tapocarily lost him. Presently we were startled by cries of terror, and saw the man beating his way toward to through the thick, strangling swamp growth. Abuve him was a fluttering cloud. As he came within a few feet of us we discovered tool a swarm of thousands of humming birds had attacked bim and were punishing him severely. His face and neck were bleeding from a thousand minute wounds, for they had successed in piercing the veil he were seen as a protection against the voracious insects with which the jungles teem. Even his clothing was filled with humming birds whose long, slender little bills had breame entangled in the meanes of the cloth, and it took the entire party a good ten minutes to drive off the augry birds. For two weeks the rean was laid in a badie. ontil conditions became unbrarable even for the easy going tribes, and the reb ilions followed. The ultimate triumph of the
insurgents would mean the annihilation of
the Chinese, for like all Malays the natives
are supine and inactive in peace, but unreleating and tireless when bent on reto drive off the angry birds. tran was laid up, so badly was hed. He said afterward that he

the iran was laid up, so badly was he injured. He said afterward that he had stumbled upon a great conclave of the birds and that they had resented his intrasion by flying at him from all directions.

"It I had my choice of places of residence in the tropics," concluded Captain Merritt, "I would take Manila. It is a beautiful city, half Spanish, half Oriental in aspect. The suburbs are perfect bowers of cultivated flowers and adorned with residences of artistic design. Some of the finest driveways in the world are there; and, talk about driving—the natives would go without food before they would sacrifles an opportunity to get up behind a nag: Every evening it is a great sight in Manila to see the turnouts on the bread driveways. Traps of all kinds are pressed into service, from swell carriages of American or European make to domestic affairs of sublime simplicity and primitiveness. And the variety of the steeds used to propel them is as remarkable. There are rich blooded stock from abroad for the foreigners and rich natives and diminutive but spirited little native horses for those who are not so well off in this world's goots. Nobody with afoot at this time, and even the freedy so well off in this world's goods. Nobody with any pretensions to being somebody it afoot at this time, and even the frugal, hated Chinese feel themselves called upon to indulge the luxury of a drive."

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